

## The Information Assurance Technology Analysis Center (IATAC) Teams with the US Department of Defense (Department of Defense) to Increase Awareness of *Careless Keystrokes Can Kill*

The Information Assurance Technical Analysis Center (IATAC), in support of the Joint Task Force-Global Network Operations (JTF-GNO) and the United States Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM), recently released a DVD entitled *Careless Keystrokes Can Kill*. This video enables a viewer to see his or her surroundings through an adversary's eyes and thereby recognize common, everyday mistakes that can lead to tragic events. IATAC personnel developed the script, provided the actors, and produced the award-winning, 15-minute video. The video premiered on July 7, 2005 at the IATAC-supported Component Commanders Conference in McLean, Virginia, and is intended for viewing by warfighters at every level, from enlisted to command, and by Department of Defense personnel and contractors involved in Information Assurance (IA) activities.

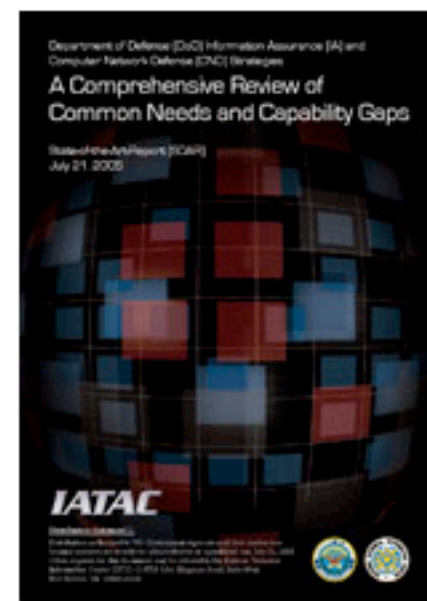
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The Information Assurance Technology Analysis Center (IATAC) produced *A Comprehensive Review of Common Needs and Capability Gaps* as its latest State-of-the-Art-Report (SOAR). This report provides a summarized depiction, across a number of published and draft strategies, plans, roadmaps, initiatives, and reference-capability documents, specified for analysis by the IATAC Steering Committee, of Department of Defense's technical capability requirements, challenges, and solution sets in Information Assurance (IA), including Computer Network Defense (CND).

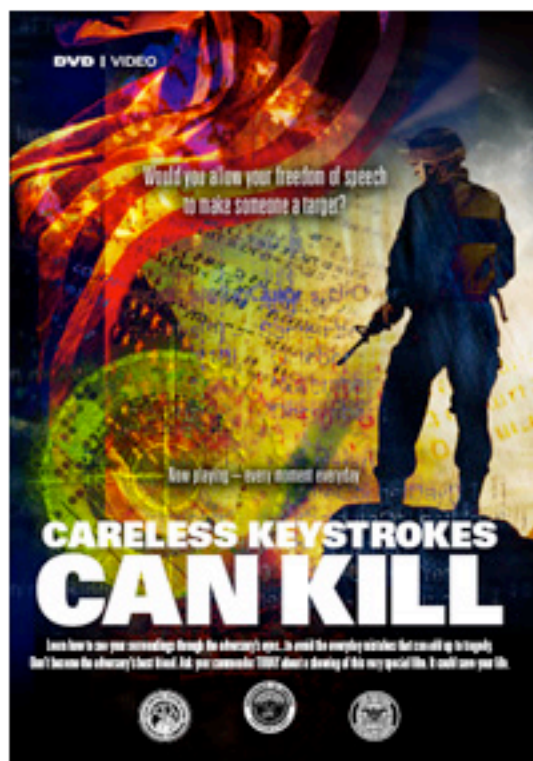
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*Careless Keystrokes Can Kill* asks a basic question: Would you allow your freedom of speech to make someone a target? The title is based on a tagline coined by recently retired Lt Gen Harry D. Raduege, Jr., USAF, and focuses on the importance of Operations Security (OPSEC) for the Global Information Grid (GIG). The video features a series of vignettes that trace the origins of a believable military tragedy, explains how the tragedy could have been averted, and demonstrates ways to prevent mistakes that can unknowingly provide sensitive, unclassified information to an adversary. A personal appeal from Gen James E. Cartwright, USMC, (Commander, USSTRATCOM) is included in the video to underscore its message.

*Careless Keystrokes Can Kill* focuses on the all-too-human mistakes and slips made by bloggers and warfighters using third-party e-mail during deployment and on users of wireless handheld devices and cell phones. The importance of physical security is also covered. The video addresses the frightening statistic that an average of 80% of information needed to sabotage a mission can be obtained through unprotected,

open sources. It is hoped that in today's information age, the slogan *Careless Keystrokes Can Kill* will become what *Loose Lips Sink Ships* was for the generation of World War II.

*Careless Keystrokes Can Kill* was recently awarded a Platinum MarCom Creative Award, which recognizes outstanding achievement by marketing and communications practitioners. Platinum Awards are presented to those entries judged to be among the most outstanding in the competition in terms of quality, creativity, and resourcefulness.

To inquire about copies of the video, please visit the Interagency OPSEC Support Staff (IOSS) at <http://www.iooss.gov> or the Joint Information Operations Center at <http://www.jioc.smil.mil>.

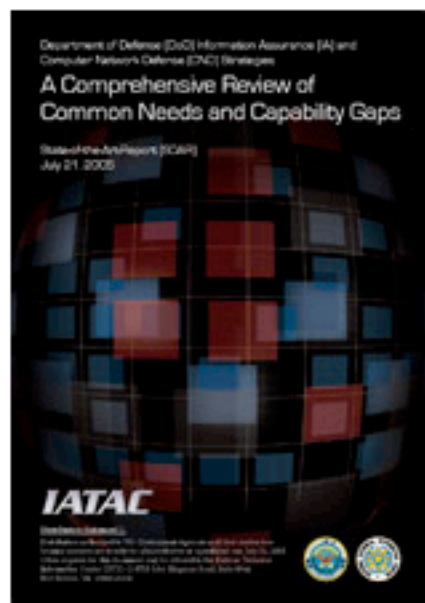
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A team of IATAC IA Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) was tasked by the Steering Committee to perform an analysis of a broad, representative set of Department of Defense IA and CND documents published by various Department of Defense organizations. The findings of this analysis were published as an IATAC SOAR. The main objective of this report is to provide a synchronized portrayal of Department of Defense, IA, and CND technology plans and requirements that highlights the gaps, overlaps, and omissions among the source documents. The findings are intended to support the creation of Research and Development (R&D) budgets and to provide information to anyone responsible for acting on the variety of sometimes conflicting plans. This information should help these decision makers to more effectively establish their investment priorities and implementation decisions.

By highlighting the IA and cyber-security issues that are critical to our nation's defense, the findings of the IATAC SOAR enable decision makers in Department of Defense to align the wide range of current IA and CND plans, roadmaps, and strategies and fill in the gaps that current strategies leave untouched. To date, it is known that senior staff members of the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) have already used the SOAR for use in planning for the Quadrennial Defense Review (QDR). As the source documents are updated, the IATAC SOAR will also prove extremely valuable by continuing to provide a detailed representation of the Department of Defense's IA and CND capability posture.

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